

REMARKS

Claims 1-46 are now pending in this application. The Office Action mailed July 14, 2005 rejected claims 1-46. Claims 1, 12, 23, 30-32, and 44-46 have been amended. No claims have been added, or deleted in this response. No new matter has been added. For the reasons discussed in detail below, Applicants submits that the pending claims are patentable over the art of record and respectfully request that the Examiner pass this application to issue.

Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

The Office Action has rejected claims 1-46 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Nolting et al. (US 6,744,866), in view of Relyea et al. (US 5,930,344). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Applicants respectfully submit that the cited references do not teach or suggest all of the claim limitations. For example, amended claim 1 recites, a method for reporting communication records. The method comprises, among other things, verifying the validity of the call transaction data in part by performing a statistical analysis to determine whether certain variables within the call transaction data fall within parameters that are determined based on previously collected statistical call transaction data.

The present Office Action points to several sections within Nolting, however, nowhere within Nolting is there disclosed or suggested performing a statistical analysis on the received call transaction data to determine whether certain variables fall within parameters that are based on previously collected statistical call transaction data. Although Nolting describes collecting statistical data, nowhere does Nolting describe or even suggest using the data as claimed by the Applicants in amended claim 1. In addition, amended independent claims 12, 30, 31, and 44 include similar, albeit different, verifying limitations. Thus, for at least this reason, the rejection of claims 1, 12, 30, 31, and 44 is inappropriate and should be withdrawn.

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Amended claim 32 recites a method for reporting calls. The method comprises, among other things, determining an approximate longitude and latitude...based in part on a closest correlation of stored location parameters and by further assigning a value to the determined longitude and latitude that indicates a degree of accuracy of the determined longitude and latitude.

The current Office Action points to Nolting, Col. 8, lines 29-40, and Col. 21, lines 20-39 arguing that the accuracy of a geographic location is a function of the location parameters. However, Nolting does not disclose or suggest assigning a value to the determined longitude and latitude that indicates a degree of accuracy as claimed in amended claim 44 (and claim 46). Instead, Nolting merely describes using a telephone number to serve as an identifier of end offices. (See Nolting, Col. 8, lines 36-37). Nolting further provides “an application user interface that may identify a study area, which would provide an indication of the full extent of a geographic area that the analysis covers (i.e., Vermont for an ISP finder study).” (See Nolting, Col. 21, lines 33-36). However, nowhere does Nolting disclose the limitations of the Applicants’ claims. That is, nowhere does Nolting assign a value to indicate a degree of accuracy of the approximate latitude and longitudes. In fact, nowhere does Nolting even discuss determining approximate longitudes and latitudes, let alone determining a degree of accuracy. Thus, for at least this reason, Nolting does not render the Applicants’ claims 44 and 46 obvious. Therefore, the rejections of these claims should be withdrawn, and the claims should be allowed to issue.

In regard to Claims 2-11, 13-29, 33-43, and 45 which are dependent on amended independent Claims 1, 12, 32, and 44 respectively, they are allowable for at least the same reasons discussed above for those independent claims.

CONCLUSION

By the foregoing explanations, Applicants believe that this response has responded fully to all of the concerns expressed in the Office Action, and believe that it has placed each of the pending claims in condition for immediate allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. Should any further aspects of the application remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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